

2004

***And the Dish Ran
Away With the Spoon**
by Janet Stevens

Goin' Someplace Special
by Patricia McKissack

**The Yellow Star: The Legend of
King Christian X of Denmark**
by Carmen Agra Deedy



2003

***The Babe and I**
by David Adler

Henry Hikes to Fitchburg
by D.B. Johnson

The Other Side
by Jacqueline Woodson



2002

***Weslandia**
by Paul Fleischman

Nim and the War Effort
by Milly Lee

Thank You, Mr. Falker
by Patricia Polacco



"Picture Books for Older Readers" was added as a category to the California Young Reader Medal program in 2000.

Some picture books are specifically written with an older audience in mind. All are fully illustrated but the text may vary from shorter to more substantive language, often embodying a level of sophistication in the text or art that appeals to older children and teens.

Students in grades 4 through 12 are generally ready to work with story content that is not considered age appropriate for younger readers. Art combined with text has been found to have the power to help readers articulate complex or hard-to-talk about topics.

Picture books for older readers are also especially useful for teaching concepts in the classroom that deal with multicultural concerns, the arts, history, science, music, math, poetry, and identity.

Enjoy these engaging and informative books.

The California Young Reader Medal program encourages recreational reading of popular literature among the young people of our state. Since its inception in 1974, millions of California children have nominated, read, and voted for the winners of the California Young Reader Medal.

Young people suggest the names of favorite books for nomination, or teachers and librarians note repeatedly read or requested titles, and these are submitted to the California Young Reader Medal Committee. Members of the committee read the suggested books, discuss their merits and appeal to children, and then decide upon a well-balanced list of nominees.

Students may read and vote for books in any and all categories, but they must read all the books nominated in a category to be eligible to vote. Students read the nominated books from July through March and vote for their favorite at school.

Each year's winner is printed in blue and designated by an asterisk.

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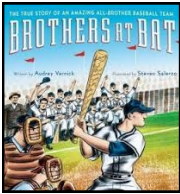


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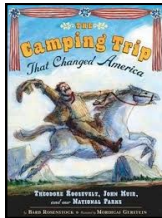
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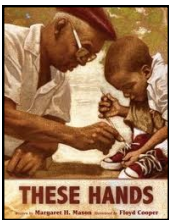
2015 Nominees



Brothers at Bat: The True Story of an Amazing All-Brother Team
by Audrey Vernick



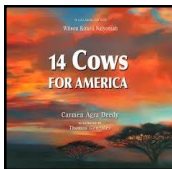
The Camping Trip that Changed America: Theodore Roosevelt, John Muir and Our National Parks
by Barbara Rosenstock



These Hands
by Margaret H. Mason

2014

***Queen of the Falls**
by Chris Van Allsburg

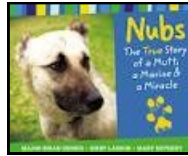


14 Cows for America
by Carmen Agra Deedy

Worst of Friends: Thomas Jefferson, John Adams and the True Story of an American Feud by Suzanne Jurmain

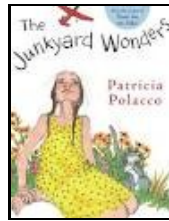
2013

***Nubs: The True Story of a Mutt, a Marine and a Miracle** by Brian Dennis



Nurse, Soldier, Spy: The Story of Sarah Edmonds, a Civil War Hero
by Marissa Moss

The Junkyard Wonders
by Patricia Polacco



2012

***Henry's Freedom Box**
by Ellen Levine

Goal! by Mina Javaherbin

Wabi Sabi by Mark Reibstein



2011

***John, Paul, George & Ben**
by Lane Smith

Moon Over Star
by Diana Aston



Four Feet, Two Sandals
by Karen Williams

2010

***Owney: The Mail-Pouch Pooh**
by Mona Kerby

Armando and the Blue Tarp School by Edith Hope Fine



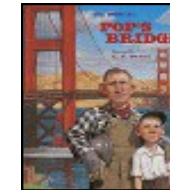
Willy and Max: A Holocaust Story
by Amy Littlesugar

2009

***Mystery at Club Sandwich**
by Doug Cushman

Brothers by Yin

Pop's Bridge by Eve Bunting

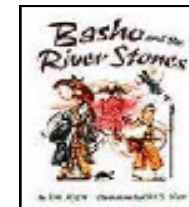


2008

***Mr. Maxwell's Mouse**
by Frank Asch

Dad, Jackie and Me
by Myrom Uhlberg

Basho and the River Stones
by Tim Myers



2007

***The Cats in Krasinski Square**
by Karen Hesse

Coming on Home Soon
by Jacqueline Woodson

I, Doko: The Tale of a Basket
by Ed Young



2006

***Boxes for Katje**
by Candace Fleming

Papa's Mark
by Gwendolyn Battle-Lavert

Patrol: An American Soldier in Vietnam
by Walter Dean Myers



2005

***Mr. Lincoln's Way**
by Patricia Polacco

Freedom Summer
by Deborah Wiles

Ruby's Wish
by Shirin Yim Bridges

